

ABSTRACT

A compact and simplified optical pickup device secures a sufficient quantity of converged light required for recording and reproducing onto/from respective optical disks, can obtain required imaging magnification of respective optical systems, and does not generate performance degradation at lens shift, when recording or reproduction is performed onto/from optical disks with different base material thickness by plural optical systems of a single optical pickup device. The optical pickup device has first and second light sources which emit light beams with different wavelengths corresponding to different kinds of optical information recording media. The optical pickup device also has a beam splitter, a collimator lens, an objective lens, and a prism mirror, which is made of material having a high refractive index for lengthening light path length (air reduction length).